



MASTER LABOR AGREEMENT

between

ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF

CALIFORNIA INC. / UNITED CONTRACTORS

and the

CEMENT MASONS

2023 - 2027





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THIS AGREEMENT, made and entered into July 19, 2022, modifying and changing the Cement Masons' Master Agreement dated May 10, 2023, between the ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF CALIFORNIA, INC. (AGC) and the UNITED CONTRACTORS (UCON), hereinafter referred to as Collective Bargaining representative of Employer, and the DISTRICT COUNCIL OF PLASTERERS' AND CEMENT MASONS' OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA, herein and after referred to as the Union.

WITNESSETH:

Section 1 General Provisions

A. Definitions

- (1) The term "Employer" as used herein shall refer to the Associated General Contractors of California, Inc., and the United Contractors.
- (2) The term "Individual Employer" as used herein shall refer to any person, firm, or entity including registered Joint Ventures who have authorized or subsequently authorize the Employer to represent them with respect to collective bargaining with the District Council of Plasterers' and Cement Masons' of Northern California.
- (3) The term "Employee" as used herein shall refer to a journeyperson Cement Mason, who is herein defined as an Employee who is qualified by experience and ability to perform Cement Masons' work, and to any apprentice Cement Mason, who is herein defined as an Employee undergoing a system or course of training in Cement Mason work.
- (4) The term "Local Union" as used herein shall, as the context requires, refer to one of the following local unions of the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' of Northern California:
 - Local Union No. 300, Area Offices: Oakland Main Office, Fresno, Modesto, Monterey, San Francisco, and Santa Rosa
 - Local Union No. 400, Area Offices: Sacramento Main Office, San Jose, Vallejo, Stockton, and Chico/Redding
- (5) This Agreement shall apply to any Employee who performs work falling within the presently recognized jurisdiction of those local unions affiliated with the District Council of Plasterers' and Cement Masons' of Northern California which District Council is affiliated with the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' International Association of the United States and Canada.





(6) This Agreement shall apply to Northern California which term is intended to mean that portion of the State of California above the Northern Boundary of Kern County, the Northern Boundary of San Luis Obispo County and the Westerly Boundaries of Inyo and Mono Counties, consisting of the following forty-six (46) Counties: Alameda, Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Contra Costa, Colusa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Humboldt, Kings, Lake, Lassen, Madera, Marin, Mariposa, Mendocino, Merced, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Joaquin, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, Yolo and Yuba.

B. Coverage and Description of Cement Masons' Work

This Agreement shall cover all work coming within the recognized jurisdiction of the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' International Association of the United States and Canada.

Work shall be assigned in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. The Individual Employer shall, in his sole and unlimited discretion, determine the need for and number of Employees necessary to perform any work covered hereby.

Without limiting the scope of the work covered hereby, it is agreed that Cement Masons' work shall include but shall not be limited to all the following construction work:

- (1) All building construction, including but not limited to the construction, erection, alteration, repair, modification, demolition, addition or improvement in whole or in part of any building structure.
- (2) All heavy highway and engineering construction, including but not limited to the construction, improvement modifications and demolition of all or part of any streets and highways (including sidewalks, curbs and gutters), bridges, viaducts, railroads, tunnels, airports, water supply, irrigation, flood control and drainage systems, sewers and sanitation projects, wharves, docks, break-waters or rip-rap stone, or operation incidental to such heavy construction work.

Subject to the foregoing provision of this Section and to the provisions of Section 6 of this Agreement, the work to be performed by Cement Masons' shall include but not be limited to the following, when tools of the Cement Masons' trade are used or required:

Setting concrete forms and perimeter forms, including catch basin structures and drain inlets, curb forms and planks, setting of lines, stakes and grades, setting screeds, bulkheads to the screed height of the concrete, which includes screed pins, curb forms, sidewalk, curb and gutter forms to include bulkheads, rodding, spreading and tamping concrete, hand application of curing compounds, applying topping (wet or dry) colors or grits; using Darby and push floats/trowels, hand troweling or hand floating; marking edging, brooming or brushing, using base cover or step tools; all Cement Masons work in conjunction with stripping and finishing of wet concrete; chipping, and stoning, patching or sacking; dry packing; spreading and finishing gypsum, operating mechanical finishers (concrete) such as Clary, Jackson, Bidwell Bridge Deck Paver or similar types; grinding machines, planetary polishing machines, troweling machines, floating machines, powered concrete saws; finishing of epoxy and resin materials, bush hammering and exposed finishes for architectural work.





Operation of skill saw, chain saw, Laser Screed, Laser Level, Curb and Slipform machines, and the setting of all control points. Epoxy Type Injection pumps, stamps or other means of texturing, any new devices/technologies which are beneficial to the construction of or with concrete or related products.

The foregoing shall apply to temporary yards established off the jobsite, to service a particular job, for the duration of that job.

(3) All Cement Masons' work associated with Concrete Polishing, Honed Concrete, Concrete Architectural Staining, and Pervious Concrete.

C. Subcontracting

For jobs bid on or after July 1, 1980, the following provisions apply:

- (1) The term "Subcontractor" means any person, corporation, or other entity, other than an Employee covered by this Agreement, who agrees, orally, or in writing, to perform for, or on behalf of, the Individual Employer, any part or portion of the work covered by this Agreement.
- (2) The terms and conditions of this Agreement, insofar as it affects the Individual Employer, shall, as specified below, be applied to any subcontractor of any tier under the control of, or working under oral or written contract with such Individual Employer on any work covered by this Agreement to be performed at the jobsite or job-yard, and said subcontractor with respect to such work shall be considered an Individual Employer covered by this Agreement.
 - (a) The Individual Employer has the primary obligation for performance of all conditions of this Agreement. This obligation cannot be relieved, evaded or diminished by subcontracting. Should the Individual Employer elect to subcontract, the Individual Employer shall continue to have such primary obligation. Said primary obligation shall be deemed conclusive evidence of the Union's majority status for the purpose of establishing the obligation of the Individual Employer to bargain collectively pursuant to Section 8(a)(5) of the National Labor Relations Act as amended with the Union upon expiration of this Agreement but for no other statute, rule, regulation or law.
- (3) If an Individual Employer shall subcontract work herein defined, such subcontract shall be in writing and shall state that such subcontractor agrees to comply with all the terms and provisions of this Agreement including wage rates and fringe benefits. In event of a dispute on a delinquency in payments as required in Section 8A, B, C, or D, and E or an alleged violation of any other agreement, the dispute shall be submitted to a Board of Adjustment on demand.
- (4) An Individual Employer, who provides in the subcontract that the subcontractor will pay the wages and benefits and will observe the hours and all other terms and conditions of this Agreement, shall not be liable for any delinquency by such subcontractor in the payment of any wages or fringe benefits provided herein, including payments required by Section 8A, B, C, D, and E except as provided in Paragraph (5) below. A copy of the subcontract or the binding clause shall be submitted to the Union on demand.





- (5) The Individual Employer will give written notice to the Union of any subcontract involving the performance of work covered by this Agreement within five (5) days of entering such contract, or prior to commencement of work by the subcontractor, and shall specify the name and address of the subcontractor. Notice at a pre job conference as set forth in Section 7H shall be written notice under this provision provided that such notice is accurate and complete.
 - (a) If thereafter the Union or an appropriate Local Union thereof should make demand in writing for exercise of this Section 1C(5)(a), the Individual Employer will require that any subcontractor of the Individual Employer specified in the demand will, if he has not already done so, post a surety bond in the amount of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) to cover payment of wages and contributions to the Trust Funds specified in this Agreement in Section 8A, B, C, D, and E. Failure of the Individual Employer to comply with Section 1C(5)(a) will make the Individual Employer liable for the delinquencies of the subcontractor in conformance with Section 1C(5)(b) following.
 - (b) If thereafter such subcontractor shall become delinquent in the payment of any wages or benefits as above specified, the Union shall promptly give written notice within ten (10) days of knowledge of delinquency to the Individual Employer and to the subcontractor. If written notice within ten (10) days of knowledge of delinquency is received, the Individual Employer shall pay and satisfy the amount of any such delinquency by such subcontractor occurring on the Individual Employer's specific construction project within seventy-five (75) days prior to the receipt of said notice from the Union, and said Individual Employer may withhold the amount claimed to be delinquent out of the sums due and owing by the Individual Employer to such subcontractor.
- (6) If the Individual Employer fails to give written notice as required in Paragraph (5) above he shall, until such time as notice is given, assume liability for any violation by the subcontractor of the terms and conditions of this Agreement as may be determined pursuant to the provisions of Section 5 provided, however, these provisions notwithstanding the Individual Employer shall not be liable for contract violations other than those set forth in Paragraph (5)(b) by the subcontractor if such subcontractor is signatory to an agreement with the Union.
- (7) Regardless of anything in this Section 1C to the contrary, if any Local Union having knowledge of the delinquency continues to dispatch men to any subcontractor of an Individual Employer when such subcontractor is delinquent in the payment of any wages or fringes and the subcontractor has failed to post a surety bond required in Section 1C(5) (a), then the Individual Employer shall not be liable for any such delinquencies.
- (8) If any Employee covered by this Agreement knowingly cooperates with any Individual Employer to defeat the payment of wages and fringe benefits as required by this Agreement, said Employee will be liable for such penalties as may be determined by the Board of Adjustment as outlined in Section 5.
- (9) It is the intent of the parties hereto that the provisions of this subcontracting clause be applied only to the extent permitted by law.





- (10) Notwithstanding any provision of this Agreement to the contrary, the provisions of this subcontracting clause shall not be enforced by strike or job action.
- (11) The above provisions notwithstanding, in the event an Individual Employer subcontracts work covered by this Agreement to a subcontractor who is not signatory to this Agreement or an appropriate agreement with the Union, the Individual Employer shall assume an additional responsibility as follows:

If the subcontractor shall be found in violation of the Hiring provisions of this Agreement, pursuant to Section 5 and the Union is unable to collect the liability determined to be owing for such violation from the subcontractor, the Individual Employer shall then become liable for the payment of such liability. The total of this liability shall be for no more than five (5) days' violation or the total of the subcontractor's retention, whichever is greater.

D. Trust Fund Delinquencies

If any Individual Employer becomes delinquent by three (3) months in making the fringe benefit payments set forth in Section 8, of this labor agreement, that Individual Employer shall be notified by certified mail by the Administrator of the Trusts or Trusts applicable to it's extended delinquency and the provisions of this Section of the labor agreement. Copies of this notice shall also be sent to the Union in addition to the Individual Employer.

Such delinquent Individual Employer shall reply in writing to the Trustees of the applicable Trusts (in care of the Trust Administrator) within ten calendar (10) days of the receipt of such notice with the reasons why a Surety Bond equal to a monetary sum of two (2.0x) times the amount of the then outstanding total trust funds delinquencies should not be required of the Individual Employer as a condition of the terms of this Agreement. Upon review, at the sole discretion of the Trustees of the applicable Trusts, the Trustees may require a Surety Bond be posted by the delinquent Individual Employer. This posted Surety Bond is not in any way to be construed as in lieu of any then current delinquencies payments required under this Agreement at the time of the requirement to post such bond. Its purpose is solely to ensure to the payments of any future delinquencies which may be accrued by the respective Individual Employer and the actions of the Trustees shall not be subject the grievance procedures in this Agreement.

All such bonds shall be deposited with the Administrator and shall be in a form acceptable by the Administrator of the various Trusts, and provided in a timely period as determined by the Trustees of the applicable Trusts.

If the Surety Bond is drawn upon to make any future fringe payments required under Section 8, the monies shall be pro-rated among the amounts owed by such Individual Employer, with the first priority to the Vacation-Holiday-Dues Supplement Trust Fund and the balance dispersed equally to the Health & Welfare, Pension/Annuity and Training Apprenticeship Trusts.

If a delinquent Individual Employer fails to respond either to the: (1) required written response or; (2) to the demand for a Bond as determined by the Trustees in the required timely period, the Local Union after receiving written notice from the Board of Trustees of this continuing delinquency shall not be required to dispatch employees and further economic action by the Union to obtain compliance of this Section will not be a violation of Section 4 (No Cessation of Work) of this Agreement.





Any employees so withdrawn or refusing to perform any work for the Individual Employer as herein provided, shall not lose their status as employees, but no such employee shall be entitled to claim or receive any wages or other compensation for any period during which he/she has been so withdrawn or refused to perform any work for the Individual Employer.

Whenever any Individual Employer covered by the Agreement is delinquent with respect to the payment of any contributions or other sum of money due to any Trust Fund specified in this Agreement, the Union may withdraw workers and place appropriate pickets at the premises of the Individual Employer or places where said Individual Employer is performing work.

Section 2 Bargaining Representatives

A. Union's Recognition of Collective Bargaining Representative of Employer

The Union hereby recognizes and acknowledges that the Collective Bargaining Representative of the Employer includes in its membership a majority of the Individual Employers in the highway, general building and heavy construction industry and said Individual Employers are performing the greater percentage of work therein. By reason of such facts, the Union hereby recognizes that the Collective Bargaining Representative of the Employer, as herein above referred to, is the Collective Bargaining Representative for all Individual Employers who authorize the Employer to represent them with respect to Collective Bargaining with the District Council of Plasterers' and Cement Masons' of Northern California. A list of said Individual Employers shall be furnished to the Union at the commencement of negotiations and the Employer shall furnish the Union with a complete monthly report of any additions and deletions to the list of Individual Employers represented by the Employer.

B. Employer's Recognition of Unions as Bargaining Agents

The Employer hereby unequivocally recognizes the Union as the sole and exclusive representative of those Employees of members of the Individual Employers covered by this Agreement, it being specifically agreed that the Union has shown evidence of its support by a majority of covered Employees working for each of the covered Individual Employers under this Agreement for collective bargaining purposes and that this recognition may be deemed to be an agreement governed by Section 9(a) of the National Labor Relations Act as amended.

Section 3 Union Security and Hiring

A. Union Security

(1) Every person performing work covered by this Agreement who is a member of the Union and in the employment of an Individual Employer on work covered by this Agreement on the effective date of this Subsection 3A shall, as a condition of employment or continued employment, remain a member in good standing of the Union in the appropriate Local Union of the Union. Every other person covered by this Agreement and employed to perform work covered by this Agreement shall be required as a condition of employment, to apply for and become a member of and to maintain membership in good standing in the Union, in the appropriate Local Union of the Union which has territorial jurisdiction of the area in which such person performing work, on or after the expiration of eight (8) continuous or accumulative days of employment on such work with any Individual Employer following the beginning of such employment, or the effective date of this Subsection 3A, whichever is later. Membership in any such Local Union shall be available to any such person on the same terms





and conditions as generally applicable to other members.

If Federal Law is hereafter amended to permit a lesser requirement for union membership or union membership as a condition of employment than provided in this Subsection, the Collective Bargaining Representative of Employer and the Union will promptly enter into negotiations with regard to such subject.

(2) Upon written notice from the Union or Local Union stating all pertinent facts that show an Employee's noncompliance with this Subsection 3A, the Individual Employer shall be required to discharge that Employee within twenty-four (24) hours.

B. Employment

(1) The Local Unions shall establish and maintain open and nondiscriminatory employment lists for the use of workmen desiring employment on work covered by this Agreement and such workmen shall be entitled to use such list. It is mutually agreed by the Employer and the Union to fully comply with all the provisions of Title 7 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Presidential Executive Order #11246 and California Fair Employment Practices Act, to the end that no person shall on the grounds of sex, race, color or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination by not having full access to the contents of Section 3 of this Agreement. Pursuant to Title 7 of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Executive Order #11246 and directives as issued by the Office of Federal Contract Compliance, the Individual Employer may request necessary workers to enable the Individual Employer to comply with the above mentioned laws and directives.

Wherever any words are used in this Agreement in the masculine gender, they shall be construed as though they were also used in the feminine gender in all situations where they so apply.

- (2) The Individual Employer shall first call upon the appropriate Local Union having work and area jurisdiction for all such men as he or it may from time to time need, and such Local Union shall furnish the Individual Employer the required number of competent workmen and skilled mechanics of the classifications needed by the Individual Employer, in accordance with the provisions of this Subsection 3B, if available.
- (3) It shall be the responsibility of the Individual Employer when ordering men to give the appropriate Local Union all of the pertinent information regarding the workmen's employment.
- (4) The appropriate Local Union shall furnish in accordance with the request of the Individual Employer such competent workmen and skilled mechanics, if available, of the classifications needed from among those entered on said lists to the Individual Employer by use of a written referral to jobs on a nondiscriminatory basis.
 - (a) Workmen specifically requested by name, who have been laid off or terminated in the geographic area of the appropriate Local Union having work and area jurisdiction within one (1) year before such request by a requesting Individual Employer or Individual Employer members of a registered joint venture now desiring to re-employ the same workmen in the same area, provided they are available for employment. Such request shall be confirmed in writing within twenty-four (24) hours after the





request is made.

- (b) Workmen who, within the two (2) years immediately before the Individual Employer's order for men, have performed work of the type covered by this Agreement in the geographic area of the Agreement as defined in Section 1, provided such workmen are available for employment.
- (c) Workmen whose names are entered on said lists and who are available for employment.
- (5) When ordering workmen of the skills required the Individual Employer will give notice to the appropriate Local Union, if possible, not later than 2:30 p.m. of the day prior (Monday through Friday), or in any event, not less than seventeen and one-half (17 ½) hours, if possible, before the required reporting time. In the event that forty-eight (48) hours after such notice (Saturdays, Sundays and recognized holidays excluded), the Local Union shall not furnish such workmen, the Individual Employer may procure workmen from any source. If workmen are so employed, the Individual Employer shall promptly report in writing to the appropriate Local Union having work and area jurisdiction, each such workman by name. In emergency cases workmen may be dispatched other than at such dispatching time.
- (6) Subject to the provisions of this Agreement, the Individual Employer shall have complete freedom of selectivity in hiring and the Individual Employer retains the right to reject any job applicant referred by the Union for any reason. No applicant for employment will be required to sign a medical statement as a condition of employment. The Individual Employer may discharge any Employee for any cause which he or it may deem sufficient, provided there shall be no discrimination on the part of the Individual Employer against any Employee for activities on behalf of, or representation of the Union, not interfering with the proper performance of his duties. Whenever an Individual Employer discharges an Employee, he shall submit a written notice to the Employee stating the reason for the discharge.
- (7) The Individual Employer shall be the sole judge of the qualifications of all his Employees and may upon such grounds discharge any of them. After forty (40) hours of employment, no Employee may be discharged without "just cause". In the event of discharge without "just cause", the Employee may be reinstated with payment for time lost. In the event of a dispute, the existence of "just cause" shall be determined under the Grievance Procedure provided for in Section 5 hereof. An individual who is rejected or discharged for cause by the Individual Employer, including, but not limited to drug and alcohol pre-employment testing, shall not be referred to such Individual Employer for a period of one (1) year from the date of rejection or discharge.

During the first forty (40) hours, the Individual Employer may reject or discharge any employee for any reason.

- (8) Any individual desiring employment in a particular area shall register at the appropriate Local Union office by appearing personally and shall indicate his name, address, telephone number, Social Security Account Number, qualifications, type of work desired and the date of such registration.
- (9) Available for employment shall mean: all individuals eligible for referral shall be available by telephone, text message communication, or present at the appropriate Local Union office





during dispatching hours.

- (10) Dispatching hours shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. daily (Saturday, Sunday and recognized holidays excluded).
- (11) Each individual, upon being referred, shall receive a referral slip to be transmitted to the Individual Employer representative at the jobsite, indicating his name, address and Social Security Account Number, type of job, date of proposed employment, applicable wage rate, date of referral and the time of day dispatched from the union hall.
- (12) To insure the maintenance of a current registration list all individuals who do not re-register within one (1) week of their previous registration shall be removed from the registration list. If such individuals re-register pursuant to the provisions of this Section they shall maintain their previous positions on such list.
- (13) Persons shall be eliminated from the registration list for the following reasons:
 - (a) Dispatched to the job-except that any person who is rejected by the Individual Employer or fails to complete one (1) full day's work shall retain his position on said list.
 - (b) Failing to accept suitable employment one time during the current week at the time of dispatch.
 - (c) Unavailable for employment during the current week.
 - (d) Any individual dispatched to a job who fails to report for work shall be placed at the bottom of the list provided he re-registers.
 - (e) Any individual that fails to pass the pre-employment screening or fails to provide proper identification for employment shall be required to re-register on the registration list and shall not be owed show-up time.
- (14) No individual who is rejected by the Individual Employer shall be referred to such Individual Employer with respect to the same request pursuant to which he was initially referred.
- (15) The Local Unions and the Union shall post in places where notices to applicants for employment with the Individual Employers are customarily posted, all provisions set forth in this Section, and each Individual Employer shall similarly post in places where notices to Employees and applicants for employment are customarily posted, a notice of the hiring arrangements set forth in this Section.
- (16) Selections of applicants for referral to jobs pursuant to this Agreement shall be on a nondiscriminatory basis and shall not be based on, or in any way affected by union membership, bylaws, rules, regulations, constitutional provisions or any other aspect or obligation of union membership, policies or requirements, provided that the provisions hereof shall not modify or qualify the provisions of Section 3A.
- (17) Any person, including an Individual Employer, aggrieved by the operation of the hiring hall provisions of this Section has the right to submit his grievance to permanent hiring hall mutual





arbitrator who shall be Mark Divelbiss or Robert Hirsch, provided such submission is made in writing, stating the reasons for the grievance, within ten (10) working days after the occurrence of the grievance. The neutral hiring hall arbitrator shall have full power to adjust the grievance and his decision thereon shall be final and binding upon the person submitting the grievance and all parties hereto. Forms for the submission of any such grievance shall be available at all times in the office of each Local Union or District Council. Notices required by this submission of any such grievance shall be available at all times in the office of each Local Union or District Council. Notices required by this Subsection shall be mailed or delivered to District Council of Plasterers' and Cement Masons' of Northern California, Local 400 at 810 W. Stadium Lane Sacramento, CA 95834 and Local 300 at 100 Hegenberger Rd., Ste 220, Oakland, CA 94621. The date of the postmark or the date of delivery of the grievance, whichever is later, shall stop the running of the ten (10) day period. The costs of arbitration should be borne equally by the Employer and the Union regardless of which Local Union, District Council or Individual Employer is involved.

- (18) The Individual Employer will notify the Local Union having area jurisdiction, of the name and Social Security Number of his Employees that are to work in the area other than his own local. It is also agreed the Individual Employer shall have the right to designate the first (1st), third (3rd), fifth (5th) man, etc., up to fifty percent (50%) but not more than fifty percent (50%) shall be brought in other than the odd man. At no time shall the percentage be increased during the duration of such job. Any person who is hired under the fifty percent (50%) clause as described in this Subsection 3B(18) shall be considered for all purposes on that job as a person hired under that clause regardless of whether or not he is laid off or terminated and then rehired on the same job during the course of the job.
- (19) Where there are four (4) or more Cement Masons employed on one job, by one Individual Employer, one (1) shall be designated Foreman. He shall receive Foreman's pay and work with his tools at the Individual Employer's discretion.
- (20) An Individual Employer may employ apprentices to do all work performed by journeyperson in accordance with this Agreement. The ratio of apprentices to journeyperson shall be a mandatory one (1) apprentice for every four (4) journeyperson and may be as low as one (1) apprentice when at least one (1) journeyperson is employed at the option of the Individual Employer.
- (21) Notwithstanding the provisions of this Subsection 3B, upon notice in writing being given to the appropriate Local Union of the Union, the Individual Employer shall have complete freedom to employ one (1) qualified student Employee per construction project. A qualified student Employee is defined as one who is enrolled in an AGC/UCON-sponsored or approved construction management program. The qualified student Employee is not deemed to be covered by the Terms, Conditions and Economics of this Agreement, including Section 3(a), unless he is employed for a period of over five hundred (500) hours during any one calendar year.
- (22) Notwithstanding the above, effective June 16, 1997, the mobility of all Employees who have been Employees of the Individual Employer for the period of the immediate two (2) months shall not be restricted for any reason subject to Section 3A, Union Security. In order for the Individual Employer to exercise the mobility provisions set forth in this paragraph, the Individual Employer shall:





- (a) Provide the appropriate Local Union, when requested in writing, with a current list of names and Social Security numbers of those Employees who are eligible for mobility; and
- (b) The Individual Employer shall notify the appropriate Local Union of a job or project of more than one day's duration.
- (c) In cases where an Individual Employer is found to have dispatched certain Employees not eligible for mobility to a job site as defined in 3B(22), then the Local Union having jurisdiction in the project area shall notify the Individual Employer of such violation or error. The Individual Employer, upon notification by the Union, shall within twenty-four (24) hours correct said violation or error to the satisfaction of the Union.
- (d) No Employee of the Individual Employer shall suffer loss of mobility for a break in service of four (4) months or less with the Individual Employer if the break in service is due to illness or extended vacation.

Section 4 No Cessation of Work

It is mutually understood and agreed that during the period when this Agreement is in force and effect, the Union or Local Union will not authorize any strike, slowdown or stoppage of work in any dispute, complaint or grievance arising under the terms and conditions of this Agreement, except such disputes, complaints or grievances as arise out of the failure of any Employer and Individual Employer to comply with the provisions of the hiring clause, Section 3B hereof, or the provisions of Section 8A, B, C, D, or E. As to any Individual Employer who shall fail or refuse to comply with the provisions of those sections, so long as such failure or refusal continues, it shall be a violation of this Agreement if the Union or any Local Union withdraws its members who are subject hereto from the performance of any work for such Individual Employer and such withdrawal for such period shall not be a strike or work stoppage within the terms of this Agreement. In the event that any Employees of any Individual Employer should be withdrawn by reason of any dispute, complaint or grievance arising out of the violation of any similar hiring clause in any agreement between Employer and any other union, the Union or any Local Union may respect such withdrawal and for the period thereof may refuse to perform any work for such Individual Employer and such refusal shall not be a violation of this Agreement.

In the event the Board of Trustees of a Fund into which the Individual Employer is required to pay determines that an Individual Employer is delinquent in the making of any payments required by Section 3B, C, or E, thereof, it shall not be in violation of this Agreement so long as such delinquency continues, if the Union withdraws the Employees who are subject hereto from the performance of any work for such Individual Employer and such withdrawal for such period shall not be a strike or work stoppage within the terms of this Agreement. In the event that any Employee of an Individual Employer should be withdrawn pursuant to any similar clause in any agreement between the Collective Bargaining Representative of the Employer and any other union, the Union may respect such withdrawal and for the period thereof may refuse to perform any work for such Individual Employer and such refusal for such period shall not be a violation of this Agreement. Any Employee so withdrawn or refusing to perform any work as herein provided shall not lose his status as Employee but no such Employee shall be entitled to claim or receive any wages or other compensation for any period during which he has been withdrawn or refused to perform any work.

(A) No Employee covered hereby may be discharged by any Individual Employer for refusing to cross a picket line established by an International Union affiliated with the Building and Construction Trades Department of the AFL-CIO or a Local Union thereof, or the International Brotherhood of Teamsters,





Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America or a Local Union thereof, which picket line has been authorized or sanctioned by the Local Building and Construction Trades Council having jurisdiction over the area in which the job is located, after the Individual Employer involved has been notified and has had an opportunity to be heard. Said notice shall be in writing and mailed to the Individual Employer involved at his address. This Section shall not apply to jurisdictional disputes.

Section 5 Grievance Procedure

Any dispute concerning any application or interpretations of this Agreement, other than jurisdictional disputes as referenced in Section 6, shall be subject to the following procedure:

- A. In the event that a dispute arises on a job, it shall be first reported to the Individual Employer or in the case of a grievance of an Individual Employer to the Business Agent of the appropriate Local Union (or District Council) who shall then attempt to adjust said grievance or dispute at the job site level.
- B. If said grievance or dispute is not satisfactorily adjusted by the appropriate Local Union (or District Council) or otherwise authorized Union Representative and the Individual Employer or his representative within three (3) days after submission to the Individual Employer, the matter may be submitted by either party to a permanent Board of Adjustment created for the settlement of such disputes by the Cement Masons Contract Administration Trust Fund.
- C. The grieving parties shall specify in writing on a standard Trust Fund grievance form the date(s) of the alleged violation(s), the nature of the alleged violation(s), and the specific provision(s) of the Agreement applicable to the dispute. A dispute shall not be recognized as a grievance nor be subject to the grievance procedure, provided said dispute is outside the scope of the Agreement. No dispute, complaint or grievance, shall be recognized unless called to the attention of the Employer and the Union in writing within ten (10) calendar days (with exception of holidays) after the last date the alleged violation was committed.

In the event the grievance involves the issue of a subcontractor violation where the subcontractor is signatory directly to this Agreement as an Individual Employer, a separate grievance shall be filed against said subcontractor and said grievance shall be processed to its final conclusion through these procedures prior to any grievance hearing against the prime contractor.

- D. The Board of Adjustment shall be composed of two (2) members named by the Union, two (2) members named by the Employer, and an Impartial Arbitrator. At any point in the proceedings should the panel be unable to reach a majority vote, the Arbitrator shall participate and his decision shall be final and binding.
- E. In addition to any rule or procedure which the Cement Masons Contract Administration Trust Fund may adopt, the Board of Adjustment shall be governed by the following provisions:
 - (1) The parties shall select and utilize a permanent Impartial Arbitrator who is willing to abide by the procedures set forth herein. However, the Impartial Arbitrator may be changed or replaced at the request of either party.
 - (2) Neither side will utilize attorneys in these Boards of Adjustment proceedings unless advance written notice of a minimum of ten (10) working days is provided to the Employer and the Union, in which case both sides shall have that right.





- (3) No briefs shall be submitted nor a transcript made of the hearing except by mutual agreement of the parties or by direction of the Arbitrator.
- (4) In the case of a deadlock, the Arbitrator shall render his decision upon the conclusion of the case at the Board of Adjustment hearing, unless the time is extended by mutual agreement of the parties or at the request of the Arbitrator. The Arbitrator shall not render an expanded opinion in any case unless requested by the parties.
- F. The Board of Adjustment shall meet within thirty (30) days following written submission of the grievance to the Cement Masons Contract Administration Trust with the exception of discharge cases which must be heard at the earliest possible date not to exceed fifteen (15) days. Failure of either party to meet or to participate in the procedure shall relieve the charging party of further compliance with the grievance procedure.
- G. In discharge cases if the Board of Adjustment fails to meet within fifteen (15) days due to the unavailability of the Union, the wage payment and Trust Fund contribution liability shall be limited to the above fifteen (15) days. If the Employer or Individual Employer is unavailable to meet, the wage payment and Trust Fund contribution liability shall be continuing until such time as the Board of Adjustment meets. Decisions of the Board of Adjustment or an Impartial Arbitrator shall be within the scope and terms of this Agreement and shall be final and binding upon all parties hereto.
- H. In the event an Individual Employer fails to comply with any such decisions, the Union may withdraw Employees or strike the Individual Employer, and such action shall not be a violation of this Agreement.
- I. The Board of Adjustment shall settle any dispute or grievance involving a subcontractor as defined in Section 1C who has agreed under contract with the Employer, or any Individual Employer, or a subcontractor of the Employer, or any Individual Employer to perform on the job site any part or portion of the construction work covered by the prime contract, including the operation of equipment, performance of labor and installation of materials.
 - When liabilities are assessed against a subcontractor for hiring violations as a result of a Board of Adjustment held under the provisions of Paragraph I and said subcontractor fails to satisfy said obligations, the Union shall promptly give written notice to the Individual Employer and subcontractor and the Individual Employer shall pay such obligations from the retention of such subcontractor.
- J. The expenses of the Joint Board of Adjustment and the Impartial Arbitrator shall be paid for by the Cement Masons Administration Trust Fund. Any additional expenses resulting from the use of attorneys such as court reporters, transcripts, etc., shall be borne equally by the Individual Employer and the Union.
- K. In addition to claims for meal period and rest period violations governed by Section 7, the following claims and claims for associated penalties shall be resolved exclusively through the procedures set forth in this Section 5, and shall not be brought in a court of law or before any administrative agency such as the California Labor Commissioner: all claims arising under the Fair Labor Standards Act, the California Labor Code and the Industrial Welfare Commission Orders for: unpaid wages, e.g., claims for hours worked off the clock, overtime wages, minimum wages, incorrect rate(s) of pay and travel time; heat illness recovery violations; waiting time penalties; reimbursement of expenses, e.g., tools, cell phone charges, mileage and subsistence; recordkeeping of personnel files, time records and payroll records; and violation of Labor Code Sections 212 and 226.





For rest period and meal period claims, the time limit for bringing such claims is the time limit for bringing grievances under this Section 7. For all other claims covered by Section 5, the intent of the parties is to use the shortest time limit permitted by applicable law, as determined by the arbitrator. All substantive and procedural rights applicable to mandatory arbitration of employment claims shall be observed (e.g., the right to more than minimal discovery, payment of costs by the employer, a written award, etc.). The permanent arbitrator shall manage all such claims with due regard for the rights of the employees and the inherent advantages of arbitration over court proceedings.

Section 5(A) Contract Administration Fund

A Trust Fund entitled "The Contract Administration Trust Fund" shall be created to provide for the costs of the Employer for administering the provisions of this Section 5. The contribution into a Contract Administration Trust Fund shall not exceed ten cents (\$.10) per hour for each hour paid for or worked. The Trust Fund shall be administered solely by Trustees selected by the Employer in accordance with a Trust Agreement to be executed by the Employer. The contribution as described above shall commence with the work month following notice by the Fund Manager of the Trust to the Individual Employers. The Union shall have the right, not more than one time per year, to independently audit the Trust Fund.

All grievances involving Individual Employers who are not members of the AGC of California, Inc. and the United Contractors shall be processed through the grievance procedure established in Section 5 of the Agreement provided that the right of an Individual Employer not a member of the AGC of California, Inc. and the United Contractors may participate on his or its own behalf at the Board of Adjustment and that the final decision shall be made by the permanent Arbitrator if the panel cannot attentively agree.

Section 5(B) Construction Industry Force Account Council

Effective June 29, 2009, each signatory Individual Employer shall contribute two cents (\$.02) per hour to the Operating Engineers Business Development Trust Fund for participation in the Construction Industry Force Account Council coalition for each hour paid for or worked.

Section 6 Jurisdictional Disputes

There shall be no cessation or interference in any way with any work of the Employer or any Individual Employer by reason of jurisdictional disputes between the Union and any other union affiliated with the AFL-CIO or the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen, and Helpers of America with respect to jurisdiction over any of the work covered by this Agreement. Such disputes will be settled by the Unions themselves, and if not settled then it shall be submitted to the International Presidents of the Unions involved in the dispute for determination and if not settled, the parties hereto agree that the dispute shall be submitted to the Impartial Jurisdictional Disputes Board for settlement in accordance with the plan adopted by the Building Trades Department, AFL-CIO. The Employer, the Individual Employer and the Union shall be and are bound by such determination and decision unless the other union shall refuse to abide by the determination and decision in which case the Union shall be and is authorized to proceed to enforce the decision by any lawful means in which case the work shall proceed as originally assigned by the Individual Employer until such decision is made.





Section 7 Working Rules

A. Work Day

Eight (8) consecutive hours starting between 2:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., excluding lunch period, except as provided under shift work, shall constitute a regular day's work at straight time rates. However, the Individual Employer may stagger individual employee's starting times within the established starting times of this Agreement at individual jobsites by mutual consent of a majority of the Employees and the Individual Employer providing the Local Union is notified in writing.

Each Employee shall have eight (8) consecutive hours of rest in any twenty-four (24) hour period. Such twenty-four (24) hours shall be computed from the start of the Employee's assigned shift. If an Employee is required by an Individual Employer to report to work without eight (8) consecutive hours of rest from the end of his regular or overtime shift, he shall be paid for all hours worked at the appropriate overtime rate until he has eight (8) consecutive hours of rest away from the job. Waiting time at the jobsite, when directed by the Individual Employer, without performance of work, shall not be considered a break within the meaning of this Section.

<u>First (1st) Meal Period</u>: No Employee shall be required to work continuously for more than five (5) hours from the beginning of the scheduled work shift without an opportunity to eat lunch. Each Employee covered by this Agreement shall be permitted to take not less than one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) hour uninterrupted lunch period.

The first (1st) meal period must be completed by the Employee within five and one-half (5 ½) hours of the Employee's starting time for the workday. Meal periods, at the option of the Individual Employer may be staggered at any time after the first three (3) hours from the beginning of the scheduled work shift.

Second (2nd) Meal Period: No Employee shall be required to work continuously for more than ten (10) hours per day without the Individual Employer providing the Employee with an uninterrupted second (2nd) meal period of not less than thirty (30) minutes, provided that if the total hours worked by the Employee are no more than twelve (12) hours for the day.

The second (2nd) meal period may be staggered by the Individual Employer and must be completed by the Employee within ten and one-half (10 ½) hours of the Employee's starting time for the workday.

However, if an Employee works over ten (10) hours, the Individual Employer and Employee may mutually agree to waive the Employee's entitled second 30-minute meal period so long as the first meal period was taken and the Employee works not more than a total of twelve (12) hours.

The Individual Employer shall compensate such Employee twenty dollars (\$20.00) for the purchase of dinner. There shall be no loss of wages during the evening meal period. In the event, for reasons beyond the control of the Individual Employer, it is not possible for the Employees to purchase an adequate meal, dinner may be provided by the Individual Employer.

<u>Meal Period Penalty</u>: If the Individual Employer requires the Employee to perform any work through his/her scheduled meal period, the Employee shall be paid at double time (2.0x) for such meal period (30 minutes) and shall be afforded an opportunity to eat on the Individual Employer's time.





No provision of this Section's language is intended to be inconsistent with the California Labor Code Section 512. Should any provision of Section 512 by amended during the term of this Agreement, the parties agree to meet to address those changes in accordance with the Section 14 (General Savings Clause) of this Agreement.

Any disputes arising from these provisions shall be subject solely and exclusively to the grievance procedures set forth in this Agreement. Notwithstanding any other provision to the contrary, any dispute concerning meal periods must be brought to the Individual Employer's attention in writing within ten (10) calendar days after the Individual Employer's regular pay day for any alleged violation of the meal period provision.

Rest Periods: Employees shall be authorized and shall be permitted to take a total of ten (10) minutes during each four (4) hour segment of their assigned work shift for a rest period.

There shall be no formal organized rest periods during working hours and as far as practicable the break will be taken as near to the middle of each four (4) hour work segment as possible. Rest periods shall be scheduled in a manner so as not to interfere with workflow or continuous operations and Individual Employers shall be able to coordinate the timing of each ten (10) minute rest break with their Employees to assure the continuity of work. Employees shall be required to remain in their respective work area, or to take their rest period in a specific area designated by the Individual Employer. The second rest period may be added to end of the meal period or workday when working conditions so dictate as determined by the Individual Employer. Employees who work more than ten (10) hours shall be authorized and permitted three ten (10) minute rest periods.

It is understood that the Employee will take his/her appropriate rest period unless the Individual Employer specifically directs the Employee not to take this rest break due to operational requirements. Employees are required to notify their supervisor whenever they are unable to take their rest periods.

Rest Period Penalty: If an Individual Employer fails to authorize and permit an Employee with a rest period as provided herein, the Employee shall be paid a penalty payment equal to one (1) hour at his/her applicable hourly wage rate excluding fringe benefits for all missed rest periods that day.

Heat Illness Preventative Recovery Period

A heat illness preventative recovery period shall be made available for employees working in high heat conditions in order to prevent heat illness in accordance with CAL OSHA requirements.

If an individual Employer fails to provide an Employee a preventative recovery cool-down period in accordance with this Section, the Individual Employer shall pay the Employee one (1) additional hour of straight-time pay at the Employee's regular rate of compensation, excluding fringe benefits, for each work day that a requested preventative recovery period is not provided. No Employee shall be discriminated against for exercising his/her rights pursuant to this Section.

Working Rules Disputes

All disputes concerning rest periods are solely and exclusively subject to the grievance procedures set forth in this Agreement and must be brought to the attention of the Employer and Individual Employer, in writing, by the Union or Employee within ten (10) calendar days of the commission of the alleged violation. Under no circumstances shall an Individual Employer be liable for more than one (1) rest break penalty per Employee per work day. Any penalties paid under this section shall neither include





any fringe benefits nor be used in calculating overtime hours.

The rest period provisions of this Agreement will be interpreted consistently with the rest period requirements of IWC Order 16.

B. Work Week

The regular work-week shall consist of forty (40) hours, Monday through Friday, at straight time rates.

Four by Ten Work-Week (4 x 10) – An Individual Employer may establish a work-week of four (4) consecutive days of ten (10) consecutive hours. Applicable overtime rate shall be paid for all work before a shift begins, after ten (10) hours, and on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. All hours in excess of forty (40) hours in any one (1) week shall be compensated at the applicable overtime rate.

On a job where a craft with whom the Individual Employer has negotiated a short work-week terminates early on Friday, the Individual Employer will keep the Cement Mason employed the balance of work day when the Individual Employer determines that work is available. (See Attachment A (Letter of Agreement) attached.)

C. Change in Work Day or Work-Week

When the Union and Employer consider and agree that conditions of the industry in the area covered by this Agreement warrant a shortened work day or work-week, the Union and the Employer shall jointly give adequate consideration and discussion to such changes; provided, however, that any such changes in the work day or work-week shall not be used to increase the basic hourly wage scales or to encourage the payment of overtime to a greater extent than that which is being paid at the time a change is made in the work day and work-week.

Saturday Make-Up Day – In the event that work cannot be performed Monday through Friday because of inclement weather or major mechanical breakdown (limited to curb and gutter machine, concrete pump, laser screed, bidwell, and concrete plant) Employees (at their option) may make up such a day on Saturdays and shall be paid at the applicable straight time rate. No Employee shall be disciplined or discharged for not working on Saturday make up. The Employer, as a courtesy, shall notify the Union of any Saturday make up day work prior to working same.

D. Shift Work

Where multiple shifts are worked, if the Individual Employer elects to work the day shift starting between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m., that shift shall work eight (8) hours and for such work they shall be paid the regular straight time rate for eight (8) hours; the second (2^{nd}) shift shall work seven and one-half (7 ½) hours, and for such work they shall be paid the regular straight time rate for (8) hours; if a third (3^{rd}) shift is worked, they shall work seven (7) hours and for such work they shall be paid eight (8) hours regular straight time pay. No multiple shift shall be established or started for less than five (5) consecutive work days.

Where predetermined conditions exist as advertised by the bidding authority requiring a starting time outside of the established starting times, a special single shift differential of three dollars (\$3.00) per hour shall apply.





It is agreed that the Individual Employer and the Employees hereby affected may mutually agree, in writing, upon different starting or quitting times for any of the above mentioned shift arrangements.

When, upon requirement of the awarding authority, the Individual Employer produces evidence in writing to the Union of a bona fide job requirement or, due to safety conditions or other requirements, such work may be performed on single or double shift basis and an Employee shall work eight (8) consecutive hours for which he shall receive eight (8) hours' straight time pay, Monday through Friday. Any Employee who reports to work on such special shift and for whom work is provided shall receive not less than eight (8) hours' straight time pay. The Individual Employer shall notify the Local Union having area jurisdiction before starting such special shift and shall confirm the notice, in writing, within twenty-four (24) hours following the start of the special shift. Provided, however, if, by direction of the Contracting Authority, the bid specifications require it, or congestive traffic conditions on Fridays are such that work conditions would be unsafe for Employees, or counterproductive to the performance of work, the special shift may commence on Sunday with double time (2x) to be paid from the start of the shift to 8:00 p.m. and the applicable straight-time rate paid from 8:00 p.m. until completion of the eight (8) hour special shift.

It is further agreed that in the event the special shift starts on Sunday, the sixth (6th) day of the work week shall be considered as the Employee's Saturday and the seventh (7th) day of the work week shall be considered the Employee's Sunday for purpose of computing overtime.

Special single shifts may be used in conjunction with any other shifts. The special single shift premium shall only apply to work that is mandated to be performed outside the normal shift hours. All other work on the project performed during the normal day shift shall be paid at the regular rate of pay.

E. Overtime

On regular work days from Monday through Friday, time and one-half (1 ½) shall be paid for overtime worked in excess of eight (8) hours in any one (1) day. Time and one-half (1 ½) shall be paid for the first eight (8) hours worked on Saturdays unless Saturday is a make-up day per Section 7(C). Double time (2.0x) shall be paid for all overtime worked after twelve (12) hours, Monday through Friday, all overtime worked after eight (8) hours on Saturdays and for all time worked on Sundays and Holidays.

F. Show-up Time

Any workman reporting for work at the regular starting time and for whom no work is provided shall receive pay for two (2) hours at the stipulated rate for so reporting unless he has been notified before the end of his last preceding shift not to report. Any Employee who reports to work and for whom work is provided shall receive not less than four (4) hours' pay and if more than four (4) hours are worked in any one (1) day shall receive not less than a full day's pay therefore, unless, prevented from working for reasons beyond the control of the Individual Employer, including but not limited by such factors as inclement weather or breakdown causing discontinuance of a major unit of the project during which time workmen are not required or requested to remain on the job by the Individual Employer or his agent.

On the first day of dispatch, an individual's work day shall commence at the time the workman reports to the initial reporting location designated by the Individual Employer and shall end on the quitting time of the regular shift, provided the Individual Employer has notified the Union by 2:30 p.m. one day in advance of the need for an employee.





Any overtime worked after the regular quitting time shall be paid in accordance with the Master Labor Agreement.

Any worker that fails to pass the pre-employment screening or fails to provide proper identification for employment shall not be owed show-up time.

G. Recognized Holidays

The following are recognized holidays: New Year's Day, Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, President's Day, Decoration Day (Memorial Day), Independence Day (Fourth of July), Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day, the day after Thanksgiving and Christmas Day.

If any of the above holidays fall on a Sunday, the following Monday shall be considered a legal holiday. If the holidays of Independence Day (Fourth of July), Christmas and New Year's Day fall on a Saturday, the preceding Friday shall be considered a legal holiday, when and if the basic crafts adopt this provision.

H. Pre-job Conference

There shall be a pre-job conference prior to the start of a job if requested by either party.

I. Employee's Tools

Cement Masons will be required to furnish the following "Bag of Tools": Three (3) trowels (varying in sizes to fit work); one (1) pointer (trowel); one (1) set of coving tools (1 nose and 1 cove); one (1) wood hand float; one (1) rubber float; one (1) hammer; one (1) sledge hammer; one (1) hand saw; three (3) hand edgers (1/4", 1/2" and 3/4" radius to match coving tools); one (1) set of knee pads; one (1) hand brush (paint brush); two (2) levels (1 pocket, 1 23" or longer); 300'nylon cord, one (1) pair pliers, w/side cutter; carpenter pencil and marking crayon. All tools are to be manufactured in the United States.

J. Owners

No more than one (1) owner of a firm or company which is an Individual Employer under this Agreement shall be permitted to perform work covered by this Agreement.





Section 8 Wage Scales, Health and Welfare, Pension, Vacation/Holiday, Apprenticeship Fund and Supplemental Dues

A. WAGE SCALES

Basic wage scales for Cement Masons and specialty classifications applicable for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2027 are set forth as follows:

		7/1/23	7/1/24	7/1/25	7/1/26
(1)	Journeyperson	\$44.85	\$3.25**	\$3.25**	*\$3.50**
(2)	Swing or Slip Form Scaffolds	\$45.85	\$3.25**	\$3.25**	*\$3.50**
(3)	Mastic Magnesite, Gypsum, Epoxy, Polyester, Resin and all Composition	\$45.85	\$3.25**	\$3.25	\$3.50

^{**} Supplemental dues will be allocated by the Union at 3% of the total package.

Foreman – effective July 1, 2023 the Foreman shall be paid fifteen percent (15%) above the current journeyperson's wage rate.

General Foreman – When the Individual Employer determines the need for the classification of a General Foreman, he/she shall be paid twenty-five percent (25%) above the current journeyperson's wage rate. Whenever an Employee is designated a General Foreman, the person who is so designated and the specific assignment for such person, shall be within the sole and exclusive judgment of the Individual Employer and such determination to appoint a General Foreman, or not to do so, shall not be subject to the Grievance Procedures (Section 5) of this Agreement.

(5) Apprenticeship Work Hour's and Related Work Hour's with Language:

Apprentice's indentured on or after June 28, 1999 shall be covered under the following percentage rates.

0 Work Hours –	
0 Related Training Hours	65% of Journeyperson rate
700 W.H. & 72 R.T.H.*	70% of Journeyperson rate
1400 W.H. & 144 R.T.H.*	75% of Journeyperson rate
2100 W.H. & 216 R.T.H.*	80% of Journeyperson rate
2800 W.H. & 288 R.T.H.*	85% of Journeyperson rate
3500 W.H. & 360 R.T.H.*	95% of Journeyperson rate
4200 W.H. & 432 R.T.H.*	100% of Journeyperson rate
	700 W.H. & 72 R.T.H.* 1400 W.H. & 144 R.T.H.* 2100 W.H. & 216 R.T.H.* 2800 W.H. & 288 R.T.H.* 3500 W.H. & 360 R.T.H.*

Fringe Benefits: Health & Welfare only for the first six (6) months. Full fringes thereafter.

^{*} Refers to any apprentice indentured will receive related training hour credit for the months of June, July and August for the purpose of wage increments as per the state standards of apprenticeship.





* Advance written notification to the Individual Employer shall be required regarding period advancement and/or eligibility for full fringe benefits prior to such individuals becoming eligible to receive an increase to either wages or fringes. The Individual Employer will not be held accountable for any retroactivity if not properly notified.

Ratio: An Individual Employer who is entitled to employ apprentices shall participate in the Apprenticeship Program by accepting apprentices for employment upon referral by the Union. When four (4) journeyperson are employed on a project for a particular Individual Employer, the next Employee hired to perform covered work must be an apprentice and this ratio will be continued for every four (4) additional journeyperson employed on the project. On projects with fewer than four (4) journeyperson, an Individual Employer may employ one (1) apprentice with at least one (1) journeyperson employed by him. The first apprentice may not be employed until the Individual Employer regularly employs at least one (1) journeyperson.

Any new apprentice with proof of prior experience may be classified at more than sixty-five percent (65%) of journeyperson wages (with health and welfare only) for the first six (6) months with the approval of the Individual Employer.

Upon at least sixty (60) days written notice to the Employer prior to any increase date specified in the contract, the union may elect at its option to allocate the increase to any or all of the following:

- 1. Wage Rates
- 2. Health and Welfare
- 3. Pension
- 4. Vacation/Holiday/Supplemental Dues
- 5. Apprenticeship Fund

Provided, however, if any or all of the monies are allocated to Fringe Benefits they shall become effective 7/1/23, 7/1/24, 7/1/25, 7/1/26.

If the Union fails to properly notify the Employer of an allocation of wages and benefits as outlined in Section 8, the allocation will not become effective until thirty (30) days after notification, but in no event prior to the scheduled increase date.

Provided, further, the Union and Employer will meet to mutually agree on the allocation of increases referenced in this Collective Bargaining Agreement for Health and Welfare only under any of the following conditions:

- 1. Upon request of the Trustees.
- 2. Upon an actuarial report that there are less than 6 months reserve in the Health and Welfare Fund.
- 3. Upon mutual agreement of the parties.

Public Works Projects

On those public works projects where a prevailing wage determination by the State or Federal agencies prevails such wage and fringe rate referenced in the bid specs shall remain in effect for the duration of said project.





If the prevailing wage and fringe benefit rates for a specific job or project are less than the rates set forth in the Master Labor Agreement, and there are non-signatory prime bidders on the plan holders list or if there is no bid list published, the Individual Employer may bid said project in accordance with the wage rates, fringe benefit rates and other applicable provisions of the Prevailing Wage Determination incorporated in the bid specifications.

If no wage rates or fringe benefit rates are set forth in the bid documents, the Individual Employer may bid said project in accordance with wage rates, fringe benefit rates, and other applicable provisions of the Private Work Agreement. If the terms and conditions of the Private Work Agreement are not sufficiently competitive, the Union shall, upon an Individual Employer's request, establish more competitive wage rates, fringe benefit rates, and working conditions.

B. Health and Welfare

Health and Welfare contributions applicable for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2027 are set forth in full herein:

	7/1/23	7/1/24	7/1/25	7/1/26
Health and Welfare	\$9.12	*	*	*

Subject to the provisions hereof, each Individual Employer covered by this Agreement will contribute such sums, as set forth for each hour paid for or worked by Cement Masons employed by such Individual Employer under said Agreement, to the Cement Masons Health and Welfare Trust Fund for Northern California and will be subject to and entitled to the benefits of all of the provisions of the Trust Agreement dated April 7, 1953 establishing that Fund, and any amendment or amendments thereto. It is understood and agreed that there shall be no duplicating contributions with respect to any Employee or the work of any Individual Employer. Without limiting this general understanding, the parties agree that any subcontractor covered by this Agreement pursuant to Section 1C shall only be required to pay contributions into the Cement Masons Health and Welfare Trust Fund for Northern California with respect to such work covered by this Agreement. The Union and the Employer agree that this plan is and has been a defined contribution plan.

In the event the Cement Masons Health & Welfare Trust Fund falls below a six (6) month reserve, the collective bargaining parties agree to meet and confer, at the request of either party, to review whether an increase to the allocation is necessary to provide a sufficient reserve (not less than six [6] months) for the Health & Welfare Trust Fund.

C. Pension Plan

Pension Plan contributions applicable for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2027 are set forth in full herein:

	7/1/23	7/1/24	7/1/25	7/1/26
Pension	\$12.11	*	*	*

Each Individual Employer covered by this Agreement will contribute such sums, as set forth for each hour paid for or worked by Cement Masons employed by such Individual Employer under the Agreement, to the Cement Masons Pension Trust Fund for Northern California and will be subject to





and entitled to the benefits of all the provisions of the Trust Agreement dated November 23, 1959 establishing that Fund, and any amendment or amendments thereto. The Union and the Employer agree that this plan is and has been a defined benefit plan.

* The parties agree that sufficient contributions will be made available from these increases to the Pension Fund to support any rehabilitation/funding improvement schedule adopted by the bargaining parties. Additional money required for such rehabilitation/funding improvement schedule shall be reallocated from the existing wages and/or fringe benefits.

D. Vacation/Holiday/Supplemental Dues Plan

Vacation/Holiday/Supplemental Dues Plan contributions applicable for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2027 are set forth in full herein:

	7/1/23	7/1/24	7/1/25	7/1/26
Vacation/Holiday	\$4.45	*	*	*
Supplemental Dues	\$2.20	*	*	*

Each Individual Employer covered by this Agreement shall contribute such sums, as set forth for each hour paid for or worked by Cement Masons employed by such Individual Employer under the Agreement, to the Cement Masons Vacation/Holiday/ Supplemental Dues Plan and will be subject to, and entitled to the benefits of, all of the provisions of the Trust Agreement dated March 29, 1963, establishing the Cement Masons Vacation Trust Fund for Northern California, and any amendment or amendments thereto. The Union and the Employer agree that this plan is and has been a defined contribution plan. The parties agree that the Trustees of the Vacation/Holiday Trust Fund may allocate up to twenty-five percent (25%) of the applicable contributions for Holiday pay.

Supplemental Dues

Effective for all work performed on or after July 1, 2023 it is agreed that upon authorization as required by law, the amount of two dollars and twenty cents (\$2.20) per hour for each hour paid for or worked shall be transmitted from the vacation/holiday benefit of each workman and shall be remitted directly to the Union. This amount shall not be deemed to be a part of the Vacation/Holiday benefit, but is an amount specifically agreed to as a Supplemental Dues benefit. The amount of the Supplemental Dues transmittal shall be specified on a statement sent to the workman. Such remittance shall be made to the Union not less than four times per year. Supplemental dues will be allocated by the Union at three percent (3%) of the total package.

E. Apprenticeship Fund and Training Fund

Apprenticeship contributions applicable for the period July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2027 are set forth in full herein:

	7/1/23	7/1/24	7/1/25	7/1/26
Apprenticeship	\$.71	*	*	*

Each Individual Employer covered by this Agreement shall contribute such sums, as set forth for each hour paid for or worked by Cement Masons' employed by such Individual Employer under this





Agreement, to the Cement Masons Apprenticeship Fund and Training Fund and will be subject to, and entitled to the benefits of, all of the provisions of the Trust Agreement dated July 18, 1974, establishing the Cement Masons' Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund for Northern California, and any amendment or amendments thereto. The Union and the Employer agree that this plan is and has been a defined contribution plan.

The Cement Masons Apprenticeship program shall be administered by the Cement Masons' Joint Apprenticeship Committee. The Committee shall consist of an equal number of representatives appointed by the Union and the Employer. The Committee shall have the authority to hire a Director, promulgate regulations, dispense monies generated by the Apprenticeship Fund and have final authority over all aspects of the training program. Local Joint Apprenticeship Committees may be established by the Cement Masons' Joint Apprenticeship Committee. Additional provisions will be added to the new Apprenticeship Fund language to establish an escrow account for fund contributions. The escrow account is in accordance with the procedure used in 1958 to set up the vacation plan.

F. Supervisory Personnel

The Union and the Employer agree that the Individual Employers covered by this Master Agreement may cover owners, partners or supervisory personnel above the rank of foreman in the Cement Masons' Health and Welfare Trust Fund for Northern California, the Cement Masons' Pension Trust Fund for Northern California, the Cement Masons' Vacation/Holiday Trust Fund for Northern California and the Cement Masons' Apprenticeship and Training Trust Fund for Northern California, by paying contributions with respect to the work of such an individual into all of these Funds monthly, on the basis of one hundred sixty (160) hours, in accordance with the hourly rates set forth in this Master Agreement, regardless of the hours worked by any such individual in a month, provided that such individual is performing work within the forty-six (46) Northern California area and that, if not an owner, partner or supervisor would be working as a journeyperson Cement Mason under the terms of this Agreement and provided further that the Individual Employer, having made one (1) payment with respect to the work of such an individual, shall continue to make such payments monthly so long as the individual continues to perform work for the Individual Employer within the forty-six (46) Counties area in the capacity of an owner, partner deemed an Employee covered by this Agreement solely for the purpose of participating in said Funds and shall have no rights or privileges under the Agreement as an Employee.

G. Audit

- (1) The Employer and the Individual Employer agree that upon a written request from the Union or the Employer to the Board of Directors of the Northern California Cement Masons' Funds Administration, Inc., the Board of Directors will direct an audit of the payroll account of any Individual Employer named in the request within ten (10) days. If the initial audit on the payroll account does not provide enough information to determine whether or not any delinquency exists, then the Board of Directors will direct a further audit of whatever records or accounts exist in order to determine the amount of the delinquency.
- (2) The Individual Employer who is found to be delinquent as a result of an audit will pay and satisfy such delinquency with accrued interest and in addition, pay liquidated damages. All delinquent contributions shall bear simple interest at the rate of one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month until receipt of payment. Subject to accounting verification, liquidated damages shall be assessed on delinquent contributions at a flat rate of one hundred fifty (\$150.00) dollars per month to reflect the internal administrative costs incurred by the trust





administrators in monitoring and tracking such late contributions. The cost of any audit shall be borne by the Individual Employer if the delinquency disclosed by the audit is in excess of one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollars and is not the result of a clerical error. When economic conditions warrant, the Trustees of the Trust Funds specified in this Agreement are authorized to amend the liquidated damages and interest provisions of this Agreement. Any adjustments implemented by the Trustees shall be reflective of the true increases in the administrative and legal costs associated with the recovery of delinquent Trust Fund contributions.

(3) It is understood and agreed by the parties hereto that the foregoing provisions for liquidated damages with respect to audit shortages are independent of and in addition to any and all provisions for liquidated damages resulting from delinquencies contained in each of the Trust Agreements to which the Individual Employer is subject under this Agreement.

Section 9 General Conditions

A. Other Agreements or Conditions More Favorable

In the event that the District Council of Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' of Northern California which is signatory hereto, or any Local Union, enters into any other agreement with other Individual Employers or employer associations which shall have terms more favorable to such Individual Employers or employer associations and the members thereof than this Agreement, then such more favorable provisions shall immediately become a part of and apply to this Agreement.

The Union will promptly notify the Employer in writing of any amendment, modification, exception or addendum to this Agreement.

This section shall not be applicable to agreements between the Union and Individual Employers covering work in bona fide permanent yards or shops.

B. Constitution and Bylaws

The terms of this Agreement shall not be interpreted to abridge any of the constitution and bylaws of the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' International Association or the constitution and bylaws of the Associated General Contractors of California, Inc., and the United Contractors.

C. Conflicting Bylaws to be Amended

Where the bylaws of a Local Union subject hereto conflict with the provisions of this Agreement, it is agreed that this Agreement shall supersede any such bylaws.

D. Contracting

No work will be let by piece, contract or lump sum direct with Journeyperson or Apprentices for labor services. Excessive amounts paid as hourly wages or under the guise of "travel pay" or "subsistence", where not required or permitted by this Agreement, shall be evidence of a violation of the Agreement.





E. Payment of Wages

Unless direct deposit is authorized by the Employee, all wages must be paid on the jobsite weekly. When Employees are laid off or discharged they must be paid wages due them at the time of layoff or discharge in accordance with the provisions of the Labor Code of California.

Each Individual Employer shall provide with each payroll check, an itemized check stub showing separately the name of employee and only the last four digits of his or her social security number or an employee identification number other than social security number, gross wages earned, all applicable hourly rates in effect during the pay period and the corresponding number of hours worked at each hourly rate, total hours worked by the employee, date of issuance, the inclusive dates of the period for which the employee is paid net wages earned, straight time hours, overtime hours, the Individual Employer's name and home office location and all legally required deductions. Any method of payment of wages allowable by law and authorized by the Employee is permitted.

F. Elimination of Restrictions on Production

No rules, customs, or practices shall be permitted that limit production or increase the time required to do any work. There shall be no limitation or restriction of the use of machinery, tools or other labor-saving devices supplied by any Individual Employer.

G. Cooperation with Employer's Safety Measures

Local Unions shall cooperate (1) with the Individual Employer in the carrying out of all such Individual Employer's safety measures and practices for accident prevention and (2) Employees shall perform their duties in each operation in such a manner as to promote efficient operation of each particular duty and of any job as a whole. Each Individual Employer must post the name and address of his doctor and of the compensation insurance carrier on the jobsite.

Each Employee shall be required to participate in the Individual Employer's accident prevention program as required by CAL/OSHA.

H. Visits to Jobsite

A business agent or special representative shall have access to the project during working hours for the purpose of checking the manner in which the terms of this Agreement are being complied with.

He shall make an effort to advise the Individual Employer or his representative of his presence on the project and shall not stop or interfere with the work of any workmen without the permission of the Individual Employer or his representative. No business agent or special representative shall be discriminated against for performing his duties under this Agreement.

I. Steward

A Steward shall be a working journeyperson Employee appointed by the Union who shall, in addition to his work as a journeyperson, be permitted to perform during working hours such of his Union duties as cannot be performed at other times. The Union agrees that such duties shall be performed as expeditiously as possible and the Individual Employers agree that the Steward shall be allowed a reasonable amount of time for the performance of such duties. The Union shall notify the Individual Employer of the appointment of each Steward.





No Steward shall be discharged or laid off except for just cause as described in Section 3B (7). Violation of this Section by the Individual Employer and discharge of a Steward shall be subject to grievance pursuant to Section 5. A Steward shall carry on his union duties in such a manner so as not to interfere with the performance of the work.

If the Individual Employer has been notified in writing of the appointment of a Job Steward the appropriate Local Union shall be given a one (1) day notice before a Cement Masons' Steward is laid off, unless the Cement Masons' work is finished.

J. Protective Clothing

The Individual Employer shall furnish the necessary goggles, hard hats, or other protective clothing pertaining to work with caustic materials. Rainwear will be issued as necessary. Such equipment shall be furnished, as necessary, by the Individual Employer free of charge and returned by the Employee immediately upon completion of the work and in the same condition as received subject to reasonable wear and tear. Such equipment shall be sanitized before reissue. No additional rain gear or other protective clothing will be reissued to the Employee unless and before he returns all original items issued.

K. Parking

In the event parking facilities are not available within three (3) blocks of a jobsite, the Individual Employer will provide such facilities and the Individual Employer shall have the right to designate parking areas to be used. Where, because of congested parking conditions it is necessary to use public facilities, the Individual Employer shall reimburse the Employee for the cost of such parking upon being presented with a receipt or voucher certifying to the cost thereof; such reimbursement to be made on a weekly basis or at the conclusion of the project, whichever occurs earlier. The area covered by this Agreement shall be the City of Sacramento, City and County of San Francisco, and the Counties of Alameda, San Mateo, Marin, Contra Costa, and Santa Clara.

Section 10 Effect on Existing and Other Agreements

This Agreement between the Associated General Contractors of California, Inc., the United Contractors, and the District Council of Plasterers' and Cement Masons' of Northern California shall supersede the 2019-2023 Master Labor Agreement between all parties, except for those Individual Employers who have given their power of attorney to the Employer for the 2019-2023 Agreement, and who have not given their power of attorney to the Employer for this Agreement.

When an Individual Employer works on a job that is covered by a project labor agreement to which the Union is signatory, the Individual Employer may work under the parties' Master Agreement for Northern California or the Project Agreement, whichever is more favorable to the Individual Employer.

Section 11(A) Employer's Membership

This Agreement is made for and on behalf of, and shall be binding upon, all persons, firms or corporations who at the time of execution of this Agreement have given or subsequently give bargaining authorization to the Employer as defined in Section 2A.





Section 11(B) Agreement Binding Upon Parties

This Agreement shall be binding upon the heirs, executors, administrators, successors, purchasers, and assigns of the parties hereto.

Section 12 Liability of the Parties

It is mutually understood and agreed that neither the Employer, any Individual Employer, the Union, nor any Local Union, shall be liable for damages caused by the acts or conduct of any individuals who are acting or conducting themselves in violation of the terms of this Agreement without authority of the respective party, provided that such action or conduct has not been specifically authorized, participated in, fermented or condoned by the Employer, the Individual Employer, the Union, or the Local Union, as the case may be.

In the event of any unauthorized violation of the terms of this Agreement, responsible and authorized representatives of the Union, Local Union, the Employer, or the Individual Employer, as the case may be, shall promptly take such affirmative action as is within their power to correct and terminate such violation for the purpose of bringing such unauthorized persons into compliance with the terms of this Agreement. Such individuals acting or conducting themselves in violation of the terms of this Agreement shall be subject to discipline up to and including discharge.

Section 13 Effect of Approval by International Union

It is agreed by and between the parties to this Agreement that the act of the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Masons' International Association (hereinafter called International Association) in approving this contract as to form and substance, as provided in the paragraph below, the International Association, its officers, and agents shall not in any manner thereby become a party to this Agreement, nor is there any duty, liability or obligation imposed upon the International Association, its officers or agents, respecting the terms and conditions of this contract in any manner whatsoever.

It is further agreed that the approval by the International Association as to form and substance is only for the purpose of indicating that the International Association certifies that the said contract is not in violation of the International Constitution and Bylaws and is approved as to form and substance for that purpose only and no other.

Section 14 General Savings Clause

A. It is not the intent of either party hereto to violate any laws, rulings or regulations of any governmental authority or agency having jurisdiction of the subject matter of this Agreement, and the parties hereto agree that in the event that any provisions of this Agreement are finally held or determined to be illegal or void as being in contravention of any such laws, rulings or regulations, nevertheless, the remainder of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect unless the parts so found to be void are wholly inseparable from the remaining portion of this Agreement. The clauses hereof relating to hiring, Section 3A and "No Cessation of Work", Section 4 are intended to be inseparable and mutually interdependent. Should either of such Sections be held or determined to be illegal or void for any reason, then both of said clauses shall forthwith become of no further force or effect and neither party shall by implication be bound thereby.

It is the intent of the parties to this Agreement that each and every; all and singular, of the provisions of this Agreement be fully in accordance with Federal and State Law. Its interpretation of each of the provisions of this Agreement is therefore intended to apply no broader than that permitted by law.





B. The parties agree that if and when any provisions and/or language of this Agreement are held or determined to be illegal, invalid, superseded, in conflict, or voided by any laws, rulings or regulations of any Federal or State court, governmental authority or agency having jurisdiction of the subject, the parties shall immediately meet and promptly enter into lawful renegotiations, within thirty (30) days of written notice by either party, concerning only the subject matter of said provision while the remainder of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 15 Travel Expense/Travel Centers

For jobs bid on or after June 15, 2005, the following provisions apply:

"Travel Expense" is defined as reimbursement for gas, oil, tires and auto maintenance and is not a wage or reimbursement for time spent in travel to or from the jobsite. No Employee shall be disciplined for refusing to travel in a company vehicle to or from the jobsite.

"Traveling Centers" are defined as those area dispatch offices that existed on June 28, 1999 in Exhibit A (1999 CM MLA Travel Centers).

Effective June 15, 2005, any job located fifty (50) miles or less from a Traveling Center shall not be subject to travel expense pay.

Each Employee covered by this Agreement who travels over fifty (50) miles to the place of reporting for work from his residence or the location of the Area Dispatch Office having jurisdiction over the project, whichever is closer, shall be paid at the Federal Reimbursement rate per mile for all miles traveled outside the fifty (50) road miles and return to the fifty (50) mile mark only.

It is understood that travel expenses shall be paid for each day a worker travels and is employed in work covered by this Agreement, but no later than once a week or upon termination whichever is sooner.

On Canal and Highway jobs the geographical midpoint of the job shall be considered as the reporting point for the purpose of travel expense pay. On all other jobsites, the project office shall be considered as the place of reporting for work for the purpose of travel expense pay.

The Individual Employer agrees that no project office will be established in an area closer than fifty (50) miles in an effort to defeat the travel expense procedure herein established.

Section 16 Expense Out of Town

The Individual Employer, when transporting an Employee from his home area dispatch office to localities outside the jurisdiction of the Employee's home area dispatch office, requiring the Employee to live away from home for "jobs of short duration" shall reimburse the Employee for lodging expenses, or may, at Individual Employer's option, pay the Employee per diem of seventy-five dollars (\$75.00) per day for each day he is required to spend the night and is available for work.

For the application of this Section only, "jobs of short duration" shall be interpreted to mean jobs of two (2) months or less. In the event the job or project is more than two (2) months in duration, the Individual Employer will have the option of: (1) continuing the Employee and reimbursing as outlined above, or (2) lay off the Employee without any restriction options of accepting layoff or transferring to the Local Area dispatch office and provide return travel expenses to his home base; or, the Employee will have the option of accepting layoff





or transferring to the Local Area having jurisdiction over the job and receiving travel and/or subsistence applicable to the Employee member of the Local Area dispatch office.

Section 17 Geographic and Market Conditions

The parties to the Agreement recognize the necessity of assuring the competitive position of the parties within the industry during the term of this Agreement. Consistent with that recognition, Labor and Management will continually monitor the effectiveness of this Agreement relative to specific geographic or market areas and will endeavor, by mutual agreement, to initiate such modifications to the Agreement during its term as may be necessary to assure the work opportunities of the Employees and the competitive position of the Individual Employers.

Section 18 Effective Termination Date

This Agreement shall be effective as of July 1, 2023 and shall remain in effect until June 30, 2027 and shall be renewed from year to year thereafter unless either of the Collective Bargaining Representatives shall give written notice to the other of a desire to change at least sixty (60) days prior to the date of the expiration of this Agreement.

The parties agree further that this Agreement is closed on all items until June 30, 2027 and all of the terms and provisions of said Agreement shall be and continue in full force and effect without further opening or change until June 30, 2027.

The Union agrees that in the event that in 2027 or any succeeding year either party should exercise its right under the first paragraph of this section, the parties shall, within thirty (30) days after receipt of written notice, meet and submit the changes desired and for a period of thirty (30) days prior to June 30th of any such year, bargain with respect to those changes. If no Agreement has been entered into between the parties hereto by June 30th or any year in which such notice shall have been given, then this Agreement shall thereupon cease and terminate.





In all other respects, the terms of the Master Agreement remain unchanged.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have hereunto executed thi hereof by their respective representative duly authorized to do so this	
FOR THE EMPLOYER:	
ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF CALIFORNIA, INC.	
By Peter Tateishi, AGC-CA CEO	
By Bob Tornberg Bob Tornberg, AGC-CA Cement Mason Craft Committee Chair	
FOR THE EMPLOYER: UNITED CONTRACTORS	
By Ronald Fadelli (Jul 28, 2023 10:08 PDT) Ron Fadelli, UCON Cement Mason Craft Committee Co-Chair	
By Andrew Vasconi UCON Cement Mason Craft Committee Co-Chair	
FOR THE UNION:	
DISTRICT COUNCIL OF PLASTERERS' AND CEMENT MASONS' OF NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
By Cody 48:6 Cody Bik, Business Manager Local 400	
By Emilio Aldana, Business Manager Local 300	





ATTACHMENT A

LETTER OF AGREEMENT

It is understood between the AGC of California, Inc., the United Contractors, and the Cement Masons' District Council that Section 7B, concerning the employment of Cement Masons' on Friday afternoons, shall be interpreted to mean that if patching and packing work is available on Monday morning, then such work was also available on Friday Afternoon.





ATTACHMENT B

SUBSTANCE ABUSE POLICY

Management Rights Regarding Substance Abuse: Notwithstanding any other provisions of this Agreement, the Individual Employer expressly reserves the right, in its discretion, to undertake the following measures:

(a) In the sole discretion of the Individual Employer, requiring covered Employees to submit to an examination by competent medical personnel to determine whether there is a probability that the Employee is suffering from any impairment which might cause the Employee to be a safety hazard to himself or others, or which might cause the Employee to be unable to perform assigned tasks within the coverage of this Agreement in a prompt and competent manner. Such test may include, in the discretion of the Individual Employer, such test of the Employee's bodily fluids as the Individual Employer may reasonably believe will elicit evidence of the Employee's use of substances which are reasonably likely to alter or impair the Employee's ability to perform his duties in a prompt, competent and safe manner. Approve the application and utilization of a quick screen oral testing device as a method of per-hire drug screening.

Random Drug Testing – An Individual Employer may initiate a random testing program a selection process where affected Employees are selected for testing and each Employee has an equal chance of being selected for testing. The selection process shall be in accordance with DOT testing procedures. If an Individual Employer initiates such testing, all covered Employees shall be subjected to such testing. An Individual Employer who initiates random testing shall specifically state in its notice to the Union and its notice to Employees that Employees will be subject to random testing. The Individual Employer shall give thirty (30) days notice to the Union and Employees prior to implementing a random drug screen program.

Time of Dispatch Screening – The parties shall establish a joint committee to determine whether there is a feasible means by which the Local Union can conduct the drug/alcohol screen before dispatching an Employee so that only Employees with a negative test will be referred.

- (b) Implementation of rules regarding the discipline and/or discharge of any Employees that the Individual Employer determines, as a result of the tests describe in subparagraph (a), are reasonable likely to become voluntarily impaired or disable form the safe performance of their work tasks as a result of the ingestion of alcohol or performance impairing drugs.
- (c) Implementation of a voluntary employee assistance program, to provide counseling, therapy and monitoring of these Employees who request Individual Employer assistance in controlling and overcoming problems related to the use of drugs and alcohol.

The Individual Employer shall have no obligation to compensate any individual who tests positive. If the individuals test is negative, the Individual Employer shall be responsible for not less than 2 hours of show up pay.

Disputes arising from the implementation of the provisions of this paragraph shall be subject to the grievance procedures set forth in this Agreement.





ATTACHMENT C

HEAVY, HIGHWAY COMMITTEE SIDE LETTER

The parties, along with the other Heavy and Highway crafts, will establish a Heavy and Highway Committee if the other Heavy and Highway crafts agree.





ATTACHMENT D

PAID SICK LEAVE ORDINANCES SIDE LETTER

This Agreement shall waive any and all provisions of the Healthy Workplaces Healthy Family Act of 2014, San Francisco Paid Sick Leave Ordinance, San Francisco Administrative Code Section 12W, "the City of Oakland Measure FF, Municipal Code Section 5.92.030, the City of Emeryville Ordinance No. 15-004, Municipal Code Title 5 Chapter 37, and the City of Berkeley Paid Sick Leave Ordinance, adding Municipal Code Chapter 13.100, and shall supersede and be considered to have fulfilled all requirements of said Ordinances/Codes as presently written and/or amended during the life of this Agreement.

In addition, to the fullest extent permitted by law, this waiver shall apply to any other federal, state, city, county, or other local ordinance requiring mandatory paid sick leave that is currently in effect or may be adopted during the term of this Agreement.

If any federal, state, city, county, or other local ordinance requiring mandatory compensated time off other than Paid Sick Leave is enacted during the term of this Agreement, then the Union and the Employer agree to meet and confer within thirty (30) business days.

This Agreement shall also waive the San Francisco Paid Parental Leave Ordinance, Sam Francisco Police Code Article 33H (Section 330H.1 through 3300H.14), the San Francisco Family Friendly Workplace Ordinance (San Francisco Administrative Code Section 12Z), the Berkeley Family Friendly and Environment Friendly Workplace Ordinance (Berkeley Municipal Code, Chapter 13.101) and the City of San Jose's Opportunity to Work Ordinance (San Jose Municipal Code, Chapter 4.101).

In addition, this waiver shall apply to any other federal, state, city, county or other local laws or ordinances containing requirements to allow paid parental leave similar to those requirements found in the San Francisco Paid Parental Leave Ordinance, laws or ordinances containing requirements to allow employees to request flexible or predictable working arrangements similar to those found in the San Francisco Family Friendly Workplace Ordinance and Berkeley Family Friendly and Environment Friendly Workplace Ordinance, and laws and or ordinances containing requirements to offer additional work hours to part time employees before hiring new employees similar to those in the San Jose Opportunity to Work Ordinance that are currently in effect or may be adopted during the term of the Agreement.

Any disputes concerning the validity of these waivers shall be subject solely and exclusively to the grievance procedures set forth in this Agreement.





ATTACHMENT E

NON-MANDATORY TRAINING SIDE LETTER

Notwithstanding references in the Master Agreement regarding the payment of various fringe benefits for "hour(s) worked or paid", it is hereby agreed by the Employer and the Union that fringe benefits shall not be owed for training time, except for Vacation/Holiday/Supplemental Dues and Dues Check Off contributions. Hours that employees spend participating in professional development or trainings offered by the Employer, excluding covered work, shall be compensated at the taxable wage rate (meaning wages plus the fringes of Vacation/Holiday/Supplemental Dues and Dues Check Off, which shall be remitted to the Trust per standard practice) each employee would normally receive had they been performing covered work. However, the hours shall not be considered hours worked or paid under Sections 5 and 8, and the Individual Employer shall not owe fringe contributions under Sections 5 and 8 for such compensation, except for the abovementioned. Hours compensation under this provision shall not exceed forty-eight (48) hours in one (1) calendar year for any one (1) employee or Individual Employer. Upon request, the Union may request documentation reflecting the training provided under the provisions of this Side Letter Agreement.

Additionally, Individual Employers at their discretion may pay wages, but no fringes of any kind for training hours undertaken for the purpose of completing the Hybrid Apprenticeship Program requirements.





ATTACHMENT F

MODIFIED DUTY SIDE LETTER

Notwithstanding references in the Master Agreement regarding the payment of various fringe benefits for "hours worked or paid", it is hereby agreed by the Employer and the Union that fringe benefits shall not be owed for modified duty (non-covered work), except for Health & Welfare, Vacation/Holiday/Supplemental Dues and Dues Check Off contributions. In the event an employee is unable to perform the covered work the employee is usually assigned, due to an injury or disability, the Individual Employer may offer alternative work (non-covered work), which shall be compensated at the Employee's taxable wages (meaning wages plus the fringes of Vacation/Holiday/Supplemental Dues and Dues Check Off, which shall be remitted to the Trust per standard practice). The employee may choose to accept or reject the modified duty work arrangement.

Payment for hours worked under this provision shall not constitute "hours paid or worked" under Sections 5 and 8, meaning that corresponding fringe contributions under Sections 5 and 8 are not required, except for Health & Welfare, Vacation/Holiday/Supplemental Dues and Dues Check Off contributions, which will continue to be owed for each hour worked and/or paid. The parties' intent is not to disadvantage or interfere with any individual employee's claim for workers' compensation benefits. The parties currently understand that this provision would not impact an individual employee's workers' compensation claim in any way, however, should the law or regulations change such that this is no longer true, the parties agree to meet and confer to modify this provision consistent with the parties' intent.





ATTACHMENT G

SUBCONTRACTING SIDE LETTER

The Northern California Cement Masons (Union), Associated General Contractors (Employer), and United Contractors (Employer) recognize the necessity of assuring the competitive position of the Parties within the industry. Consistent with that recognition, and with respect to subcontracting, the Parties agree to the following:

In the event a contractor signatory to this agreement is unable to source a signatory subcontractor to perform any given scope of work, the Union and the affected signatory agree to meet and confer upon appropriate resolution. Upon request of the Union, the contractor agrees to arrange a meeting between any such subcontractor and the Union.





ATTACHMENT H

Statutory Claims / PAGA Waiver

To the maximum extent permitted by law, statutory claims of individual employees alleging violations of the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act, the California Labor Code, and applicable Wage Orders of the Industrial Welfare Commission of the State of California, California Business and Professions Code section 1720 et seq. and all other wage and hour related claims arising under applicable law (hereinafter referred to collectively as "Statutory Claims") shall be resolved through binding arbitration before an impartial arbitrator and shall not be brought in a court of law or before any administrative agency such as the California Labor Commissioner.

All substantive and procedural rights applicable to mandatory arbitration of statutory claims shall be observed (e.q., the right to more than nominal discovery, payment of all costs by the employer, a written award, etc.). The arbitrator shall apply the shortest applicable statute of limitations for each Statutory Claim and shall be authorized to award any and all remedies available by law, including fees and costs to the Union. The Arbitrator shall issue a written decision. The Arbitrator may use the Employment Arbitration Rules of the American Arbitration Association as reference for conducting the arbitration.

This Agreement prohibits any and all violations of the sections of the California Labor Code that are redressable pursuant to the California Labor Code Private Attorneys General Act ("PAGA"). This Agreement expressly waives the requirements of PAGA and authorizes the arbitrator to award any and all remedies otherwise available under the California Labor Code, except the award of penalties under PAGA that would be payable to the Labor and Workforce Development Agency.

Statutory Claims, including PAGA claims, shall be brought by the individual employee in an individual capacity only and not as a grievant or class representative in any purported class, collective, or representative grievance or arbitration proceeding. The Arbitrator shall not have the authority to consolidate individual Statutory Claims for hearing or to fashion a proceeding as a class or collective action or to award relief to a group or class of employees in a grievance or arbitration proceeding.

The individual employer shall pay all fees and costs related to the services of the American Arbitration Association and the services of the Arbitrator. Each party shall pay for its own costs or attorneys' fees, but if there is a written agreement providing for an award of costs or attorney's fees, or if any party prevails on a statutory claim which affords the prevailing party attorneys' fees and costs, the Arbitrator may award costs and reasonable attorneys' fees to the prevailing party. The Union shall not be a party to such Arbitration, and shall bear no costs or fees of the arbitration.

Statutory Claims shall be initiated by written notice within the statute of limitations period to the individual employer with a copy provided to the Union. Once a notice of the Statutory Claim is submitted, the Union, the employee and the individual employer shall meet within thirty (30) calendar days, or other time as mutually agreed upon, to discuss and attempt to resolve the Statutory Claim. If the parties are unable to resolve the Statutory Claim, the matter shall be referred to Arbitration under the terms of this Agreement. Employees shall have the right to represent themselves in the Arbitration proceedings. The Union may participate in such proceedings to protect the Union's interests.

Should the impartial arbitrator designated by the parties to this Agreement be unavailable or unacceptable to the Union, Individual Employer, or Individual Employee, the parties to this Agreement will provide a panel of three (3) additional impartial arbitrators from whom the Individual Employer and Employee will select and

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arbitrator using an alternative striking method with the Employee striking first.

It is the intent of the parties that any claims brought to address violation of the Agreement (as opposed to Statutory Claims) shall be handled in the normal course of the grievance and arbitration procedures as traditionally used by the parties. Nothing herein shall prohibit the Union from bringing a group or class claim for such violations of the Agreement. If a court of competent jurisdiction finds any terms or clause in this Section to be invalid, unenforceable, or illegal, such a term or clause may be revised to the extent required to render this Section enforceable or valid so as to preserve this Section and intent to the fullest possible extent.

Grievances and arbitrations of all Statutory Disputes shall be brought by the individual employee in an individual capacity only and not as a grievant or class member in any purported class or representative grievance or arbitration proceeding. Grievances and arbitrations of Contractual Disputes shall not be subject to the requirements of this section.

It is mutually agreed that this Agreement prohibits any and all violations of the sections of the California Labor Code that are listed in section 2699.5 of the California Labor Code and would be redressable pursuant to the Labor Code Private Attorney General Act of 2004 ("PAGA). Such claims shall be resolved exclusively through the procedures set forth in Section 9 and shall not be brought in a court of law or before any administrative agency such as the California Labor Commissioner. This Agreement expressly waives the requirements of PAGA and authorizes the permanent arbitrator to award any and all remedies otherwise available under the California Labor Code, except the award of penalties under PAGA that would be payable to the Labor and Workforce Development Agency.





ATTACHMENT I

Prevailing Wage Protection

The bargaining parties agree that should either the Federal or State Department of Labor or Department of Industrial Relations change the method by which Prevailing Wage Determinations are made during the term of this agreement, the parties agree to meet and discuss within sixty (60) days to try to develop an alternative application of the terms of this agreement for the bidding of Public Works Projects.





ATTACHMENT J

Government Ordinance Waivers During Term of Agreement: Sick Leave Ordinance:

In the event that any local, state or federal entity passes legislation with a collective bargaining waiver provision during the term of this Agreement which may result in negative impact to the Union or Management, the Union and Management agree on a case-by-case basis to meet and discuss possible waivers within sixty (60) calendar days of a request from either party. No party shall unreasonably withhold the granting of such waiver.

In the event the legislation precludes exclusion for parties covered by valid Collective Bargaining Agreements, the parties agree to the full extent permitted, prior to the effective date of the law, to enter into bargaining for the purposes of addressing the specific legislation while the remainder of the Agreement shall remain in full force and effect.

If the statute, ordinance, or regulation does not require adherence during the term of this Agreement and is stayed until the next contract cycle, then this provision shall not apply unless mutually agreed to by the parties.





Letter of Understanding: Waiver of Local Minimum Wage Ordinances

Belmont MWO – Belmont City Code Chapter 32; CBA Waiver – Section 32-9 Berkeley MWO – Berkeley Municipal Code Chapter 13:99; CBA Waiver – Section 13.99.055 Burlingame MWO – Burlingame Municipal Code Chapter 6:10; CBA Waiver – Section 6.10.060 Cupertino MWO - Cupertino Municipal Code Title 3, Chapter 3.37; CBA Waiver - Section 3.37.050 El Cerrito MWO – El Cerrito Municipal Code Chapter 6.95; CBA Waiver – Section 6.95.050-B Emeryville MWO – Emeryville Municipal Code Title 5, Chapter 37; CBA Waiver – Section 5-37.07 (e)(1) Foster City MWO – Foster City Municipal Code Chapter 5.73; CBA Waiver – Section 5.73.060 Fremont MWO - Fremont Municipal Code Title 5, Chapter 5.30; CBA Waiver - Section 5.30.050 Half Moon Bay MWO - Half Moon Bay Municipal Code Chapter 3.300; CBA Waiver - Section 3.300.090 Hayward MWO – Hayward Municipal Code Article 15; CBA Waiver – Section 6-15.14 Los Altos MWO – Los Altos Municipal Code Chapter 3.5; CBA Waiver – Section 3.50.050 Menlo Park MWO – Menlo Park Municipal Code Section 5.76; CBA Waiver – Section 5.76.050 Novato MWO – Novato Municipal Code Section 2-30; CBA Waiver – Section 2-30.5 Oakland MWO – Oakland Municipal Code Chapter 5.92; CBA Waiver – Section 5.92.050 (B) Palo Alto MWO – Palo Alto Municipal Code Chapter 4.62; CBA Waiver – Section 4.62.050 Petaluma MWO - Petaluma Municipal Code Chapter 8.35; CBA Waiver - Section 8.35.40 Redwood City MWO - Redwood City Code Chapter 46; CBA Waiver - Section 46.050 Richmond MWO - Richmond Municipal ode Chapter 7.108; CBA Waiver - Section 7.108.050 San Francisco MWO - San Francisco Administrative Code Chapter 12R; CBA Waiver - Section 12R.8 San Jose MWO - San Jose Municipal Code Title 4, Chapter 4.100; CBA Waiver - Section 4.100.050 San Leandro MWO – San Leandro Municipal Code Chapter 4-35; CBA Waiver – Section 4-35-500 San Mateo MWO – San Mateo Municipal Code Chapter 5.92; CBA Waiver – Section 5.92.060 San Mateo County MWO – San Mateo County Ordinance Code Chapter 5.158; CBA Waiver – Chapter 5.158.100; effective 4/1/23 Santa Clara MWO - Santa Clara City Code Title 3, Chapter 3.20; CBA Waiver - Section 3.20.050 Santa Rosa MWO - Santa Rosa City Code Chapter 10-45; CBA Waiver - Section 10-45.040 Sonoma MWO - City of Sonoma Municipal Code Chapter 2.80; CBA Waiver - Section 2.80.045

Sunnyvale MWO - Sunnyvale Municipal Code Title 3, Chapter 3.80; CBA Waiver - Section 3.80.050





EXHIBIT A

2023 TRAVEL CENTERS

The "Traveling Centers" locations below are those area dispatch offices that existed on June 28, 1999.

Local Union	<u>City</u>	Address
400	Clina	1000 C
400	Chico	1009 Sycamore St., Ste. 2, Chico, CA 95928
300	Fresno	4944 East Clinton Way, Ste. 105, Fresno CA 93727
300	Marina	City Hall, 211 Hillcrest Ave., Marina CA 93933
300	Modesto	1050 North Carpenter Rd., Ste. E, Modesto CA 95351
300	Oakland (Main)	100 Hegenberger Rd., Ste. 220, Oakland, CA 94621
400	Redding	900 Locust St. #8, Redding CA 96001
400	Sacramento (Main)	810 West Stadium Lane, Sacramento CA 95834
400	San Jose	2102 Almaden Rd., Ste. 118, San Jose CA 95125
300	San Francisco	1485 Bayshore Blvd., Ste. 406, San Francisco CA 94124
300	Santa Rosa	1710 Corby Ave., Santa Rosa CA 95407
400	Stockton	2350 East Main Street, Stockton CA 95205
400	Vallejo	404 Nebraska Street, Vallejo CA 94590

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